

HARTFORD – **Congressman John Larson (CT-01)** issued the following statement this afternoon on news that Cigna has chosen Bloomfield as its new United States headquarters. The move is anticipated to create at least 200 new jobs in the state as Cigna will also upgrade its existing facilities. The company cited Connecticut's new, "First Five" program as a major reason for the relocation.

"I want to extend my congratulations and offer my appreciation to the leadership of Cigna, especially CEO David Cordani, as they increase their investment in Connecticut. Time and again Mr. Cordani has shown himself to be not only one of the most accomplished health care leaders in our country, but among the most enlightened as well.

"As the Metro-Hartford region continues to lead our state's economic recovery, I also want to thank Governor Dannel Malloy for his vision in creating Connecticut's 'First Five' economic incentive program and the General Assembly for their work in ensuring its passage. This deal is proof that government has the ability to help foster economic growth and be a catalyst for our country's recovery.

"The decision by Cigna to designate the great community of Bloomfield as its new United States headquarters is terrific news for not only our region, but our entire state."